

## Prices and Prospects.

### SPOT COKE DEMAND LIMITED BUT SALE FOR ALL THAT IS OFFERED

Price is Down \$1.00 a Ton to  
Level of Six Weeks  
Ago.

#### REGULATION OF PRICES

By Legislative Enactment a Subject  
of Greater Interest But No Steps  
Are Being Taken by Operators; Coal  
Market Quiet; Pig Iron is Stagnant.

Special to The Weekly Courier.

PITTSBURGH, July 25.—The coke market declines as if it were following a prearranged program instead of being subject to the law of supply and demand. Spot furnace coke is down a dollar a ton since last report, and now, three weeks after Independence Day, it is quotable at precisely the same level as three weeks before the holiday. A week ago the market was the same as two weeks before the holiday.

As to demand, nearly all the furnace interests that were buyers recently report that they are well supplied with coke and are not interested in offerings. There is no reason to suppose there is concerted action among consumers in this matter, for when they have come into the market they have come in together when they might have done better by appearing separately on different days.

The Baltimore & Ohio has made a rule that its cars must not leave the tracks of the system, a rule the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie has followed for some time. As a result, for weeks past coke loaded in Pittsburgh & Lake Erie cars has not brought as much as coke loaded in Pennsylvania or Baltimore & Ohio cars, but now Baltimore & Ohio cars are in the same position, and have been offered and sold at \$3.75, whereas coke in Pennsylvania cars has brought \$4.00 and up to \$4.10.

While demand is limited there seems to be no sale for all the coke offered, there being simply a decline of about a dollar a ton in the week. Generally speaking, foundry coke is held at about \$1.50 above furnace coke, and the market now stands quotable as follows:

Spot furnace ..... \$3.75 to \$4.10  
Spot foundry ..... \$1.50 to \$1.75

—Steel—the food control bill passed the Senate on Saturday with provisions empowering the president to fix prices for coke there is more interest in the matter of price regulation.

The Senate bill contains two separate provisions. One, in Section 10, authorizes the president, at his judgment, to take over and operate mines or plants. The other, in Section 22, authorizes the president to fix the price of coke and certain other commodities, and if any producer fails to obey instructions the president may be taken over and operated, or the president is given the option of requiring that the product be sold to a government agency to be established, that agency in turn to sell to the public. Remuneration is to be fixed by the president and if unsatisfactory 75 per cent. of the amount fixed is to be paid, the complainant being authorized to sue the United States according to regular procedure.

Coke operators have taken no steps toward a reduction in prices in order to forestall government action, but may of course finally enact provisions for government price fixing of coke. The majority opinion is that the conference committee will keep the provisions of the Senate bill.

For a time the Senate bill carried provisions for government fixing of pig iron and steel prices as well as coke prices. Under such an arrangement, he blast furnaces would be indisposed to complain about prices they had to pay for coke, as regulation might then be applied to pig iron also, but it is now as enacted applies to coke and not to iron, and is quite likely to contain and urge government action.

The Pittsburgh district coal market continues quiet, with not a great deal of spot coke offered, the explanation being that the coal is moving in contract. It should have been doing so before the price agreement but appears to have been offered in the more profitable spot market. There is a moderate turnover, at \$3.00 to \$3.25 for sack and mine-run and \$3.50 to \$3.75 for screened coal, the lower prices being on defect sales and the higher on sale by brokers.

The pig iron market continues stagnant. A few odd lots have been sold or prompt shipment, but forward buying has stopped entirely. There has been some re-sale iron at cut prices in general the market is a shade slower. Bessemer and basic being quoted \$1 a ton lower. The market is now quotable as follows, although in some circumstances quotations are merely nominal:

Edwards Railroad.

Edwards Railroad. South Broadway, Southside, has resigned his position at the Baltimore & Ohio office. Everson to accept a position as chief clerk with the H. J. Reisinger company at Pittsburgh.

#### COKE FREIGHT RATES.

The freight rates on coke from the Connellsville district, which includes what is officially known as the Connellsville region (sometimes called the Basin district) and the Lower Connellsville region (often called the Kiskadee and sometimes the Jaconetown district) to principal points for shipment, are as follows, per net ton of 2,000 pounds, effective June 15, 1917:

| Destination                  | Rate   |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Baltimore                    | \$1.35 |
| Buffalo                      | \$1.35 |
| Chicago                      | \$2.35 |
| Cleveland                    | \$2.35 |
| Columbus                     | \$2.35 |
| Dayton                       | \$2.35 |
| E. St. Louis                 | \$2.35 |
| Elkhart                      | \$2.35 |
| Evansville                   | \$2.35 |
| Indianapolis                 | \$2.35 |
| Joliet                       | \$2.35 |
| Louisville                   | \$2.35 |
| Milwaukee                    | \$2.35 |
| New York                     | \$2.35 |
| Philadelphia                 | \$2.35 |
| Pittsburgh                   | \$2.35 |
| Port Henry, N. Y.            | \$2.35 |
| Pottsville                   | \$2.35 |
| Reading                      | \$2.35 |
| Richmond, Va. (B. & O.)      | \$2.35 |
| Richmond, Va. (P. & R.)      | \$2.35 |
| South Bethlehem              | \$2.35 |
| Swedesboro                   | \$2.35 |
| Toledo, O.                   | \$2.35 |
| Valley Pointe                | \$2.35 |
| For Exports                  |        |
| From Connellsville District: |        |
| Philadelphia (P. & R. v. s.) | \$1.35 |
| Baltimore (F. O. B. v. s.)   | \$1.35 |
| From Laredo District:        |        |
| Philadelphia (P. & R. v. s.) | \$1.35 |
| Baltimore (F. O. B. v. s.)   | \$1.35 |

### STAGNATION MORE INTENSE

In the Pig Iron and Steel Markets.  
Buyers in a Waiting Attitude,  
and Without Interest.

Special to The Weekly Courier.  
NEW YORK, July 25.—The American Metal Market and Daily Iron & Steel Report will review the steel and iron trade tomorrow as follows:

The stagnation in the pig iron, unfinished steel and finished steel markets has become more intense. There is more than a mere waiting attitude on the part of buyers. Normally when they wait it is with an interest, while now the interest is lacking.

The furnace and mill are well filled with business, and likewise consumers are covered. Production and consumption continue as formerly. Specifications against contracts, which began to decrease in somewhat marked fashion early in June, show some further decrease but they are still relatively heavy. The contracts now in force are largely at prices much below the current market, such as can be quoted.

Allotment of government orders for steel products continues in fair volume, but estimates are being revised downwards as to the proportion of the total. The government will require for prosecuting the war. Deliveries of materials needed for building the cantonments will probably be practically completed in a few weeks. Now that the aircraft appropriation bill has become a law orders for hangars and attendant equipment will probably be large. The authorities seem to be getting around to the needs of the European allies rather slowly, but possibly these needs are not as great as recently estimated.

The coming readjustment in iron and steel prices is not likely to occur for several months, though there are some forerunners. Scrap has been declining for 30 days and billets are showing some weakness. The food bill will probably give the president power to regulate coke prices and circumstances will probably require him to exercise the power, this involving lower costs to blast furnaces and perhaps a better coke supply, with consequent increase in pig iron production.

A slightly easier tone is reported in some of the finished steel markets, but nothing of striking importance. Demand is so light that prices are of little moment.

#### Weekly Coke Production.

| Week    | Prod.   | Met.    | Total   | Ship.   |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Jan. 8  | 220,333 | 138,233 | 358,566 | 358,566 |
| Jan. 15 | 216,140 | 137,022 | 353,162 | 353,162 |
| Jan. 22 | 218,370 | 135,350 | 353,720 | 353,720 |
| Jan. 29 | 216,330 | 133,369 | 349,699 | 349,699 |
| Feb. 5  | 217,330 | 134,330 | 351,660 | 351,660 |
| Feb. 12 | 216,330 | 133,330 | 349,660 | 349,660 |
| Feb. 19 | 217,330 | 134,330 | 351,660 | 351,660 |
| Feb. 26 | 218,330 | 135,330 | 353,660 | 353,660 |
| Mar. 5  | 219,330 | 136,330 | 355,660 | 355,660 |
| Mar. 12 | 220,330 | 137,330 | 357,660 | 357,660 |
| Mar. 19 | 221,330 | 138,330 | 359,660 | 359,660 |
| Mar. 26 | 222,330 | 139,330 | 361,660 | 361,660 |
| Apr. 2  | 223,330 | 140,330 | 363,660 | 363,660 |
| Apr. 9  | 224,330 | 141,330 | 365,660 | 365,660 |
| Apr. 16 | 225,330 | 142,330 | 367,660 | 367,660 |
| Apr. 23 | 226,330 | 143,330 | 369,660 | 369,660 |
| Apr. 30 | 227,330 | 144,330 | 371,660 | 371,660 |
| May 7   | 228,330 | 145,330 | 373,660 | 373,660 |
| May 14  | 229,330 | 146,330 | 375,660 | 375,660 |
| May 21  | 230,330 | 147,330 | 377,660 | 377,660 |
| May 28  | 231,330 | 148,330 | 379,660 | 379,660 |
| Jun. 4  | 232,330 | 149,330 | 381,660 | 381,660 |
| Jun. 11 | 233,330 | 150,330 | 383,660 | 383,660 |
| Jun. 18 | 234,330 | 151,330 | 385,660 | 385,660 |
| Jun. 25 | 235,330 | 152,330 | 387,660 | 387,660 |
| Jul. 2  | 236,330 | 153,330 | 389,660 | 389,660 |
| Jul. 9  | 237,330 | 154,330 | 391,660 | 391,660 |
| Jul. 16 | 238,330 | 155,330 | 393,660 | 393,660 |
| Jul. 23 | 239,330 | 156,330 | 395,660 | 395,660 |
| Jul. 30 | 240,330 | 157,330 | 397,660 | 397,660 |

Work is begun.

Construction work has commenced on the \$3,000,000 plant of the Pittsburgh Steel Products company, on a site bordering the Monongahela river opposite Fayette City.

## Review of the Connellsville Coke Trade.

### Statistical Summary.

| PRODUCTION.                  | WEEK ENDING JULY 21, 1917.  | WEEK ENDING JULY 14, 1917.  |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| DISTRICT.                    | Ovens. In. Out. Tons.       | Ovens. In. Out. Tons.       |
| Connellsville                | 20,497 18,795 1,792 107,152 | 20,497 18,795 1,792 107,152 |
| Lower Connellsville          | 17,645 16,889 1,756 104,096 | 17,645 16,889 1,756 104,096 |
| Totals                       | 38,142 35,684 3,548 302,148 | 38,142 35,684 3,548 302,148 |
| FURNACE OVENS.               |                             |                             |
| Connellsville                | 17,933 16,762 1,270 105,308 | 17,933 16,762 1,270 105,308 |
| Lower Connellsville          | 5,628 6,227 299 59,486      | 5,628 6,227 299 59,486      |
| Totals                       | 23,561 22,989 1,569 225,354 | 23,561 22,989 1,569 225,354 |
| MERCHANT OVENS.              |                             |                             |
| Connellsville                | 3,459 2,945 516 31,281      | 3,459 2,945 516 31,281      |
| Lower Connellsville          | 11,819 10,302 1,450 105,510 | 11,819 10,302 1,450 105,510 |
| Totals                       | 15,278 13,247 1,966 136,791 | 15,278 13,247 1,966 136,791 |
| SHIPMENTS.                   |                             |                             |
| To Pittsburgh                | 8,514 Cars. 120,140 Tons.   | 8,140 Cars. 116,081 Tons.   |
| To Points West of Pittsburgh | 5,236 Cars. 104,445 Tons.   | 4,857 Cars. 101,598 Tons.   |
| To Points East of the Region | 1,506 Cars. 55,657 Tons.    | 1,939 Cars. 62,942 Tons.    |
| Totals                       | 15,256 Cars. 380,242 Tons.  | 14,936 Cars. 380,621 Tons.  |
| By River                     | 8,500 Tons.                 | By River, 8,600 Tons.       |

### FULL COOPERATION GIVEN GOVERNMENT BY COKE OPERATORS

The Connellsville Coal Tariff Association Widens Its Scope.

### WILL DO ALL IN ITS POWER

To Increase Production of Coke; To Improve Car Supply; Service and Traffic Conditions in the Region; Larger Membership Urged.

No group of leaders in the industries of the country, which are closely related to the work of National Preparedness, will surpass the coke operators of the Connellsville region in the sincerity of their patriotism, or the effectiveness of their cooperation with the agencies that are working hand in hand with the government in this gigantic undertaking.

Appreciating as they do how closely the uninterrupted maintenance of the coal and coke, iron and steel and allied industries is related to the equipment of the nation in order that it may prosecute the war vigorously and to a successful and early end, the members of the Connellsville Coal Tariff Association have broadened the scope of the organization that it may cooperate with the federal government and the Coke Committee of the Council of National Defense to the fullest extent in its efforts to assist the government.

At a meeting held at the William Penn hotel in Pittsburgh a few days ago, which was largely attended by the members of the association, it was unanimously agreed that the scope of the organization be enlarged to embrace the following objects and purposes:

"1.—To the maximum supply of by-product coal and Connellsville coke is so essential to assure the speedy and successful prosecution of the war, this association shall do everything in its power to increase production and cooperate with the federal government.

"2.—To promote and benefit the interest and welfare of the owners and operators of coal mines and coke works in the Connellsville Region of Pennsylvania.

"3.—To obtain just and reasonable freight rates on Connellsville coal and coke, to improve car supply, service and traffic conditions in the Connellsville Region.

Scott Stewart, New York, general manager of W. J. Rainey interests, chairman of the association presided at the meeting. Addresses were made by Roy A. Rainey, C. E. Lennhart, Julian Kennedy, J. P. Brennan, W. D. McKee, John C. Neff and others.

Following the meeting a luncheon was served to the members of the association as well as to many independent coke operators not now members, who were invited to an opportunity of becoming members.

It was especially urged by the speakers that in view of the changed relation the association will bear to the industry, all the independent operators should promptly become identified with its activities. Full cooperation with the agencies which are speeding up industry as the strong right arm of the government in its scheme of national preparedness can be obtained only through the active participation by all those who are immediately concerned in the production of coal and coke.

Julian Kennedy was elected a member of the executive committee in place of John E. Perry, of the Republic Iron & Steel company, resigned. The executive committee and officers of the association are now as follows: Scott Stewart, W. J. Rainey, New York, chairman; R. M. Fr. Orient, Coke company, Uniontown; J. H. Hillman, Jr., Pittsburgh; W. L. Byers, Producers Coke company, Uniontown; Julian Kennedy, Orient Coke company, Uniontown; and Thomas McCaffrey, Brier Hill Coke company, Brier Hill.

### FIGHT FOR BETTER ADJUSTMENT COAL FREIGHT RATES WON

The Interstate Commerce Commission Approves Recommendations.

### WITH ONE MODIFICATION SHIPMENTS

Differential to Valley Points is Made 5 Cents and to Cleveland 6 Cents; Connellsville Coal Tariff Association Achieves a Notable Victory.

Practically every contention of the Connellsville Coal Tariff Association for a more equitable adjustment of freight rates on coal has been gained by the approval, with some modifications, of the report of the examiners in what is known as the "Commercial Coal Case."

Early in June examiners Marshall and King filed a report in which it was recommended that the rate on Connellsville coal to the Valleys and Cleveland be not more than six cents a ton over the Pittsburgh district rate, and that shipments from the Connellsville region to points west of a north and south line drawn through Sandusky and Galion, O., take the Pittsburgh rate.

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The effect of the final adjudication of the questions involved in this case is to place the Connellsville and Cleveland rates at not more than six cents a ton over the Pittsburgh district rate, and that shipments from the Connellsville district to points west of a north and south line drawn through Sandusky and Galion, O., take the Pittsburgh rate.

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### WAGON LOADERS

In Somerset Field Hired by \$3.00 Price for Coal Laid.

The Baltimore coal trade, which has considerable interest in team-track business, especially coal from Somerset region of Pennsylvania, is watching the effect on this line of endeavor of the \$3 maximum price, says the Coal Trade Journal. Many well posted coal men predict a big falling off in this business, which is for the most part not under protective contracts above \$3. Some believe that the falling off in this business may run between 500,000 and 600,000 tons. There is serious doubt that the farmers will continue to mine banks at distances from railroads, where it costs about \$1.25 a day for labor, from \$1 to \$1.50 for haulage, and a loading price for points without tipples. Many farm banks may be left untouched for a return of days when coal will bring again the price of from \$5 to \$6 above cars.

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## Production and Output.

### COKE REGION ALMOST BACK TO PRE-HOLIDAY BASIS OF OUTPUT

#### COKE TRADE SUMMARY.

The coke region last week approached much nearer to the pre-holiday basis of output than a view of the situation a week ago promised. Car supply kept up to the range of about 1000 supply for about a 75 to 80% productive capacity and rather more industry was displayed by the men than during the week following the Fourth.

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**WILL BE COMPLETE IN SOME 10 OR 12 HOURS**

D. 2; Ewing D. Minerd, Dunbar. George W. Laudman, Dunbar.  
275—James Victor Schartzler, Daw- 487—Charles Spire, Stauffer; John  
son R. D. 1; George A. Porter, -Dun- Cratson, Lelsenring No. 1.

| Total<br>Ovens         | In<br>Use | Name of Works.  | Name of Operators.            | P. O. Address. |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>MERCHANT OVENS.</b> |           |                 |                               |                |
| 182                    | 182       | Beverly         | Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.         | Greensburg     |
| 120                    | 95        | Boyer           | Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.         | Greensburg     |
| 100                    | 80        | Brown & Biss    | Frederick & Company           | Pittsburg      |
| 88                     | 88        | Carlyle         | Peoples-Connellville Coke Co. | Pittsburg      |
| 100                    | 100       | Chapman         | Connellville Coke Co.         | Connellville   |
| 40                     | 40        | Dexter          | Whyle Coke Co.                | Talonton       |
| 100                    | 80        | Eilan No. 1     | Whyle Coke Co.                | Talonton       |
| 100                    | 80        | Eilan No. 2     | Whyle Coke Co.                | Talonton       |
| 100                    | 100       | Elizabeth       | Unity-Connellville Coke Co.   | Greensburg     |
| 200                    | 200       | Em Grove        | W. J. Rainey                  | New York       |
| 128                    | 110       | Franklin        | Summit-Conn. Coke Co.         | New York       |
| 100                    | 101       | Gilman          | Connellville Coke Co.         | Greensburg     |
| 128                    | 118       | Grace           | W. J. Rainey                  | New York       |
| 8                      | 8         | Grace           | W. J. Rainey                  | New York       |
| 145                    | 145       | Helan           | Barnett Lohr                  | Townwood       |
| 40                     | 40        | Humbert         | Barnett Lohr                  | Pittsburg      |
| 48                     | 48        | Jimtown         | Shannon Coke & Coke Co.       | Talonton       |
| 40                     | 40        | Johnson         | Shannon Coke & Coke Co.       | Talonton       |
| 36                     | 36        | Little Sunshine | King Coke Co.                 | Uniontown      |
| 40                     | 40        | Love            | Little Mutual Coal & Coke Co. | Boardsdale     |
| 40                     | 40        | McMahon         | McMahon Coal & Coke Co.       | Dunbar         |
| 370                    | 370       | Mt. Breakoff    | W. J. Rainey                  | Greensburg     |
| 310                    | 310       | Mt. Pleasant    | Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.         | Greensburg     |
| 40                     | 40        | Myers           | Brownfield-Ovile Coke Co.     | Uniontown      |
| 40                     | 40        | Nellis          | Brown & Cochran               | Uniontown      |
| 100                    | 100       | Painter         | Newcomer Coke Co.             | Uniontown      |
| 180                    | 180       | Paul            | W. J. Rainey                  | New York       |
| 588                    | 518       | Revere          | W. J. Rainey                  | New York       |
| 40                     | 40        | Shirley         | South Fayette Coke & Coke Co. | Uniontown      |
| 40                     | 40        | Thomas          | Whyle Coke Co.                | Uniontown      |
| 80                     | 80        | Veteran         | Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.         | Greensburg     |
| 27                     | 48        | Went Fein       | West Penn Coke Co.            | Pittsburg      |
| 1,459                  | 1,294     |                 |                               |                |
| <b>FURNACE OVENS.</b>  |           |                 |                               |                |
| 280                    | 280       | Adeleide        | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 300                    | 300       | Alvorton        | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 307                    | 307       | Braggaly        | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 300                    | 300       | Bitter          | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 240                    | 240       | Brickerton      | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 300                    | 300       | Buckeye         | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 232                    | 226       | Cakman          | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 301                    | 301       | Catal           | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 76                     | 76        | Conbrook        | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 490                    | 490       | Collier         | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 400                    | 400       | Continental 1   | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 328                    | 328       | Continental 2   | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 400                    | 400       | Continental 3   | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 140                    | 140       | Davidson        | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 383                    | 383       | Darwin          | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 280                    | 280       | Dorothy         | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 374                    | 374       | Heala No. 1     | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 372                    | 372       | Heala No. 2     | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 360                    | 360       | Heala No. 3     | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 355                    | 355       | Heala No. 4     | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 250                    | 250       | Junita          | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 400                    | 400       | Kyle            | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 400                    | 400       | Laispencer 1    | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 400                    | 400       | Laispencer 2    | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 400                    | 400       | Laispencer 3    | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 304                    | 304       | Lait            | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 247                    | 247       | Lamont No. 1    | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 360                    | 360       | Lamont No. 2    | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 300                    | 300       | Lamont No. 3    | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 359                    | 359       | Mammot          | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 300                    | 300       | Marguerite      | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 165                    | 165       | Mutual          | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 300                    | 300       | Ogilvay         | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 328                    | 328       | Oliver No. 1    | Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.     | Pittsburg      |
| 300                    | 300       | Oliver No. 2    | Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.     | Pittsburg      |
| 300                    | 300       | Oliver No. 3    | Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.     | Pittsburg      |
| 400                    | 400       | Phillips        | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 188                    | 188       | Radiation       | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 120                    | 120       | Rise            | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 448                    | 448       | Shoal           | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 421                    | 421       | Southwest 1     | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 180                    | 180       | Southwest 2     | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 308                    | 308       | Southwest 3     | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 301                    | 301       | Standard        | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 110                    | 110       | Stem-Stolwy     | Dunbar Furnace Co.            | Dunbar         |
| 80                     | 80        | Stewart         | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |
| 404                    | 404       | Tetter          | H. C. Frick Coke Co.          | Pittsburg      |

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**CONNELLSVILLE, PA.**

1282—James Kedron, Erverson; Frederick Carothers Mason, Obolypse.

1323—Joseph W. Walzen, Erverson; James David Delafade.

1841—Samuel C. Stillwagon, Connellsville; Frank Weakland Black, Dickinson Run.

787—John Elmer Amsel, Owensdale; Jess H. Bungard, Normalville.

140—Alfred Burned List, Dawson; Albert Beal, Somerset.

2509—Andrew Lerch, Connellsville.

1536—Skidmore Young, Connellsville. Focifoe Hongint, Dunbar.

1322—Donald M. Kerr, Connellsville; Roy Strickler, Vanderblit.

1723—Charles Allison, Connellsville; Clyde Nawmyer, Vanderblit.

1779—Lawrence Munk, Connellsville; James Clifton, Vanderblit.

1230—Joseph Coslickey, Everson; Harry Reed, Bidwell.

2247—Gerald O. Schoonover, Connellsville.

2011—J. Adolph Ralston, Connellsville; Passalacqua Gutsuppo, Vanderblit.

422—John M. Porterfield, Connellsville R. D. 2; Joseph George Griglock, Leisenring.

18—Will Tabar, Longton; Braden Snyder, Indian Head.

652—Cugeno Rosso, Scottsdale; Frank Danko, Leisenring No. 1.

327—James W. Sproat, Dawson; Jay Schroyer, Stewarton.

1744—Cyrils Laverne Lowman, Connellsville; Pasquale DiSoranno, Dunbar.

739—Raymond Borci, Scottsdale; Avery Jacob Sees, Clifton Mills, W. Va.

1751—Alcyous L. Friel, Connellsville; Herbert Moore Shallenberger, Vanderblit.

601—John Stoner, Erverson; George Mazur, Connellsville.

1322—Walter Bedzarowicz, Everson; James Dord, Adelaide.

1146—Earl Leonard, South Connellsville; Tom Gorobac, Dunbar.

1103—Claude Ira Miller, South Connellsville; Martin Meden, Dunbar.

2219—Joseph Henry Scarry, Connellsville.

1395—Edward B. Lockwood, Connellsville; Torilio Emanuelo, Dunbar.

2479—Steve Vavolar, Connellsville.

637—Antonin Cecere, Scottsdale; Michael Griglak, Morrell.

1482—Leroy Sullenberger, Dawson.

167—Guy Carter, Somerset.

1771—Ray O'Donnell, Connellsville; Emmet M. Addis, Vanderblit.

513—David Franklin Lankey, Acme; Ray Casper Forwalt, Connellsville, R. D.

46—Decker Swink, Connellsville; Marshall Snyder, White.

1020—Roy C Coughenour, South Connellsville; Andrew Futsen, Dunbar.

1661—Biagio Magnifico, Connellsville; Ray Riser, Dunbar.

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2441—Mike Paeafico, Connellsville.

2628—Bert Beck, Connellsville.

1636—George Rinker, Connellsville; Angelo Harshbacht, Dunbar.

223—James Somer, Dawson; Jacob Keller Foltz, Dunbar.

2086—Eston Lansey Rush, Connellsville.

1441—Giorgio Nigro, Connellsville; Nicolo Manna, Dunbar.

117—Walter Murphy, Connellsville; Harry Milton Hampe, Somerset.

2330—Hugh Raymond Blacka, Connellsville.

602—John Maglieri, Scottsdale; Calvin V. Garlits, Connellsville.

390—Elmer Bligey, Scottsdale; Alvin Corbin, Leisenring.

2353—Joseph Galfardi, Connellsville.

76—Joseph Abkemeier, Moyer; Elmer Brandon Price, Indian Head.

1818—Randal Edwards, Sloughenwhite, Connellsville; Bert Stewart Means, Vanderblit.

772—Frank Loftus, Broad Ford; Elmer Wilford Conrad, Farmington.

1456—Ira George Riser, Connellsville; Jess Lazer, Dunbar.

721—Antonio Pizzilo, Scottsdale; Basu Szczonak, Leisenring.

1418—Leo Toy, Connellsville; Giuseppe D'Nico, Dunbar.

2390—John Knight, Connellsville.

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THURSDAY MORNING, JULY 26, '17.

## EVERYBODY DRAFTED.

If you do not find your number  
among those published do not console  
yourself with the thought that you  
have escaped draft. There having  
been 10,500 numbers drawn, which  
was the number of registrants in the  
most populous district, it follows that  
every number in that and all other  
districts was also drawn. If your  
number has not appeared among the  
list published it has been omitted in  
transmission or otherwise.

The drawing was to determine the  
order in which eligibles are to report  
for duty, not the number of them.  
The receipt of the official list will  
therefore settle definitely where your  
number belongs and show that you  
have not been overlooked by Uncle  
Sam.

## NEXT STEP IN DRAFT.

Now that the drawing of numbers  
to indicate the order in which  
military eligibles will be liable for  
draft has been completed, interest  
naturally centers in the next  
steps to be taken.

The first of these will be the cer-  
tification to the local exemption  
boards of the list of numbers drawn,  
which will be in the form of photo-  
graphic reproductions of the original  
lists made in Washington at the time  
of the drawing. As soon as the official  
lists are received by the local boards  
they will be posted and each person  
whose serial number has been drawn  
notified by mail at the address given  
at the time of registration on June 5.  
This notice will state the time and  
place the recipient will report for  
physical examination, which will be with-  
in five days from the date of the notice.  
The law provides that the posting of  
the list at the exemption board's office  
is alone sufficient notice. Failure to  
receive the notice by mail does not  
constitute an excuse. Therefore the  
draft rests upon each registrant to  
find out for himself whether or no his  
number has been drawn.

The exemption boards will mean-  
time have received notification from  
the governor of the quota of men to  
be supplied by the respective districts.  
On this basis they will summon regis-  
trants for examination, in the order in  
which their numbers were drawn, divid-  
ing the whole number into at least  
three groups to report on different  
days. On the assumption that about  
one-half of the men drawn will be ex-  
empted for physical defects, depend-  
ency and other causes each local board  
will summon twice as many as called  
for in the quota. Thus in District No. 2,  
comprising the city of Conneltsville  
and surrounding territory, 502 men  
will be summoned for examination,  
the quota of the district having been  
fixed at 251.

During the course of examina-  
tions the board finds that the exemp-  
tions are exceeding one-half, they will  
issue calls for additional men to re-  
port in the order drawn. In districts  
having a large number of aliens, who  
are not subject to service, it is very  
probable that the exemptions will be  
in a larger proportion than one out  
of two. In case the full quota on the  
first draft is provided without taking  
all of the men summoned, those not  
taken will be the first summoned when  
the order comes for the second draft.

Such men as fail to pass the physical  
examination will be at once dis-  
charged. Others will be given five  
days in which to file claims for exemp-  
tion, and a further period of 10 days  
within which to file proof in support  
of the claim for exemption. If ex-  
empted, a certificate to that effect will  
be given, but this may be recalled  
should the board later discover that  
the exemption had been improperly  
granted. Claims for exemption on the  
ground that the applicant is engaged  
in industries necessary to maintain  
the army and navy are to be passed  
upon by the district boards, but must  
be filed with the local boards for  
transmission to the proper tribunal.

Those who do not claim exemption,  
and those whose appeals from the de-  
cision of the local boards are not sus-  
tained, will form the first National  
Army.

The number of men desired to be  
raised by the first draft is 337,000,  
which will be used to bring the regu-  
lar army and the national guard to  
full war strength and to form the first  
National Army of 500,000 and a re-  
serve corps from which to sustain that  
organization to its full strength. Thus  
there will be at least 1,374,000 men  
summoned by the exemption boards to  
report for physical examination, and  
as many more, in case exemptions  
exceed an average of 50 per cent,  
as are needed to complete the quota.

Such additional drafts as may be  
made will be filled by calling the men  
not summoned to report for examina-  
tion on the first draft, in the order  
in which the numbers were drawn,  
and no further drawing of numbers  
will be necessary unless the necessity  
should arise for changing the conscrip-  
tion age limits, either by including  
men younger than 21 or older than 30,  
or both.

Registrants in this vicinity will  
therefore understand that on the first

draft 502 men will be summoned in  
District No. 2, and 312 in District No.  
5. In District No. 2 this will include  
the first 502 numbers drawn; in Dis-  
trict 5 it will include the first 312  
numbers drawn, provided the exemp-  
tions do not exceed one-half. If your  
number comes within the first 502 or  
312 on the lists for the respective dis-  
tricts, you will know that you will be  
summoned for examination for the first  
draft. If it is not included in these  
groups, you will know that you will  
not be called until the second draft  
is ordered.

## "CONSIDER THE SOURCE."

A few trifling creatures, who have  
been more conspicuous as blots on  
the landscape of our country than the  
sidewalks and street corners than  
useful as citizens, either to the coun-  
try or the community, are reported to  
have been referred to the members of Com-  
pany D and the Hospital Corps as  
"Tin Soldiers."

This is an epithet certain things,  
masquerading as men, who are too  
cowardly to become soldiers them-  
selves, apply to those who have  
shown their willingness to serve as  
defenders of their country. Without  
reputations or characters worthy even  
of their own feeble defense, these de-  
fects of the volunteer soldiery lack  
the grit or courage to take any  
real scrap. They stand among the  
crowds on the street corners and cast  
their sneers, jibes and insults only  
when they feel themselves reasonably  
well protected from a form of swift  
and righteous punishment their  
cowardly meanness so richly deserves.

The members of Company D and  
the Hospital Corps make no pretense  
to having attained the proficiency of  
the regulars. They are made of the  
same material as are the regulars and  
with equal instruction and training  
will be found the equals of similar  
organizations in the service. In the  
duty they are entering upon they be-  
come a part of the regular establish-  
ment and will take their places in the  
trenches and on the firing line side by  
side with those who have made  
soldiering a business. No one who  
is familiar with the history and re-  
cords of the American volunteer soldier  
has any doubts or misgivings as to the  
kind of an account they will give of  
themselves.

Meanwhile those at home who joined  
the rebel gang on the street corners  
and taunted the boys of Company D  
with their inexperience, and who  
earlier kept a safe distance between  
themselves and the recruiting station,  
and later conjured up excuses to evade  
the draft, will continue to be "slack-  
ers" at whatever job or in whatever  
capacity they may be the misfortune  
of some employer to have them enu-  
merate his payroll.

While the boys of Company D and  
the Hospital Corps have just cause  
to resent vigorously and on the spot  
any ridicule by these cravens, they  
can and will show their good sense  
and discriminating judgment by imi-  
tating the example of the trapper boy  
in a mine of the Conneltsville region.  
Hurled by the quick action of a  
mule's hind foot into a dirty, slimy  
pool of mine water, the boy delib-  
erately rose to his feet having suffered  
no more serious injury than a jolt  
and a complete soaking by his hasty  
change of location.

When asked by the driver of the  
mule why he did not take a "sprag"  
and beat his brains out, the boy shrug-  
ged his shoulders significantly, a  
broad grin spread over his smoke-  
stained face and he said in a dis-  
dainful tone:

"I consider the source!"

## TENTH'S RECREATION CENTER.

The movement started by the  
Ladies of the G. A. R. to provide a  
"hut" for the Tenth regiment, as a  
place for the exhibition of moving  
pictures, games, reading and writing  
material and as a recreation center,  
is another of those activities in which  
the stay-at-homes whose interest will  
follow the boys through all their  
course of duty, can take a part in pro-  
viding.

"A hut under military meaning,"  
says the Greensburg Tribune in ex-  
planation of the objects and purpose  
of this movement, "is a building used  
in the service as a place for assem-  
bling and entertaining the soldiers.  
It is inexpensively built but it provides  
as nothing else will do for the com-  
fort and pleasure of the boys in the  
service of their country."

"Under the plans of the G. A. R.  
women their organization in every  
part of the Tenth regiment territory  
is to help in the work they have un-  
deraken. Rev. Charles Schall, of  
Greensburg, chaplain of the reg-  
iment, is to have control of the hut  
and its offering and advantages,  
which is the best possible guarantee  
that the enterprise will be managed  
with consummate skill and for the  
benefit of every soldier in that reg-  
iment."

"The G. A. R. women will not re-  
quire a large amount of money.  
However, they should be provided  
with enough cash to allow them to  
work out their plans along proper  
lines, and every penny of the money  
contributed will go to the pleasure  
and entertainment of the members of  
the command."

"This is the season for liberality.  
The women in charge of the work  
will not despise any contribution, no  
matter how large or how small. And  
all for the good of our own sol-  
diers."

Connellsville will be asked to help  
in this worthy object. The generous  
response they have made to the ap-  
peal to provide a Company Fund indi-  
cates that they will be glad of any  
opportunity to assist in still further  
safeguarding the welfare and comfort  
of the boys.

## WHEAT ACREAGE MUST BE LARGER.

While the recent crop estimates in-  
dicate very large increases in the  
wheat crops that will be harvested  
this summer and fall, too much re-  
liance should not be placed upon the  
probability of the actual returns  
measuring up to the estimates. Even  
if the yields are found to be in excess  
of expectation, the country cannot af-  
ford to relax its efforts to still fur-  
ther increase food production. This  
is particularly true in relation to the  
crops which will form next year's  
harvest. It is not too early, therefore,  
to begin planning for sowing a larger  
acreage to winter wheat this fall than  
in any previous season.

It is already well established that  
this year's wheat crop will be very  
much smaller than the average of the  
past 10 years and still more short of  
the production last year. We are  
practically bare of old stocks of wheat  
and virtually all the wheat producing  
countries of the world are similarly  
situated.

Having lived so long in abundance  
and never felt the necessity of econom-  
izing in our food, the people of the  
United States fail utterly to realize  
that America and the world both face  
a possible food famine. The signifi-  
cance of the serious curtailment in  
food production last year, brought  
about by the combined influences of  
the war reducing planting activities  
and the unfavorable seasons resulting  
in lessened yields, has not been ap-  
preciated or understood. Neither has  
there been sufficient importance at-  
tached to the fact that we will have  
to feed our armies abroad as well as  
a large part of the people in the lands  
of our allies.

We must not selfishly console our-  
selves with the comforting thought  
that we ourselves will have enough  
and to spare. We have no right either  
as a nation or as individuals to pro-  
vide more for ourselves than the less  
favored people in the war-wasted  
countries of Europe have. It is  
squarely up to us, therefore, from  
every consideration of national safety,  
national existence and to guard  
ourselves and our allies from the pos-  
sibility of a food famine, to increase  
the production of such prime re-  
quisite as wheat to the largest extent  
possible.

The agencies which have the di-  
recting control of increased food pro-  
duction campaigns should not delay  
a day in bestirring winter wheat rais-  
ers to increase their acreage at least  
25 per cent. Farmers are already  
considering their plans for next year's  
crop and within a few weeks will be  
beginning active preparations for its plant-  
ing. Before these plans are too far  
advanced the cooperation of the  
planters should be secured in a sys-  
tematic plan of campaign to increase  
the acreage. We have the organiza-  
tion within the county public safety  
committees through which this can be  
conducted and we have the experience  
gained in the potato planting cam-  
paign of the spring to guide us as to  
methods. Active effort is all that  
is needed to achieve the same meas-  
ure of success with wheat as we have  
had with potatoes.

## BEST METHOD OF KEEPING POST-ED ON DRAFT PROCEDURE.

While it is not necessary for draft  
eligibles to report to the exemption  
boards for physical examination until  
the date named in the official notice,  
which will be mailed as soon as the  
certified lists showing the order in  
which the numbers were drawn has  
been received, it must be remembered  
that registrants who fail to appear  
to receive the notice sent by mail  
do not excuse them. Such failure  
to receive notice will on doubt be  
common. To be safe the registrants  
should keep themselves posted on the  
progress of the steps following the  
drawing. No better means is pro-  
vided than the daily newspapers.

As soon as the certified lists are re-  
ceived and the names corresponding  
to the numbers properly identified,  
they will be posted and notices mailed  
to the registrants who will be sum-  
moned for physical examination. These  
lists will be published in the  
papers, hence the prudent among the  
drafted will keep in close touch with  
the progress of events by reading the  
papers daily. If they do not receive  
notice to report within the time limit  
it would be wise and proper to re-  
port at the office of the board. This  
will, of course, apply only to those  
whose numbers are included in the  
published list of those summoned for  
examination.

The regulations of the draft place  
upon the registrants the duty of in-  
forming themselves on these matters.  
Beyond posting the lists at their office  
and mailing notices, the boards are  
not obliged to make further effort to  
notify registrants of the order in  
which their numbers have been  
drawn.

The provost marshal general has  
borne testimony to the incalculable  
value the press of the country has  
rendered in informing the public con-  
cerning the draft. Except for the  
painstaking explanations of the regu-  
lations and the help publicly given  
to the draft procedure there would  
have been an inextricable confusion  
concerning the details. Drafted men  
can therefore continue to depend upon  
the newspapers to interpret the  
provisions of the law, explain the  
steps necessary to be taken and other-  
wise assist in making compliance  
with the law and regulations easy.

What are prison rules against a  
Suffragist's whims or needs? One of  
the "Silent Sentinels" now temporarily  
sejourning at the District Penitentiary,  
a little known resort near Washington  
City, had one of the most grotesque  
and unbecoming rule-breakings of  
all kinds. On demand to surrender  
he calmly refused saying that she  
needed it to read the prison bill of fare.  
Naturally that ended the discussion.

It is time for somebody to show  
Senators Reed and Stone of Missouri the  
way back home.

## THE MORE CRAVEN SLACKERS.

The Courier has neglected no oppor-  
tunity to point out that there is even  
less justification or excuse for men  
who are slackers in the occupations and  
industries of the country than are con-  
tributing to the preparation for war  
than there is for slackers from the  
military service. With the unprece-  
dented demand for labor in every line  
of employment, and when every patri-  
otic citizen is doing his part in some  
way to help the nation meet the situ-  
ation, it has long ceased to be respect-  
able to be idle from choice, no matter  
what the circumstances in life may  
be of those who are disposed to take  
their leisure while others toil un-  
remittingly with hand and brain.

The approach of the harvest season  
and the great scarcity of men to help  
the farmers save the crops now ac-  
tually maturing, bring into promi-  
nent public notice the sin of idleness or  
waste of time by those who could do  
much for the community and the  
nation's good if they would. This is  
not limited to the well-to-do, who so  
far as means are concerned are not  
dependent upon their daily labor, but  
to many who can ill afford to neglect  
any opportunity to increase their  
earnings. Others who from disposi-  
tion and habit shirk their responsibil-  
ities as providers with the same ease  
and unconcern that they shirk their  
responsibilities as citizens, are the  
chief of the slackers in the non-mil-  
itary class.

This condition of affairs was the  
principal topic of discussion at the  
recent meeting of the Fayette county  
division of the Committee of Public  
Safety, a body of busy men who are  
sacrificing personal interests and their  
time to give systematic and effective  
direction to a movement to conserve  
the material resources of the country,  
increase its food production and pro-  
vide, as far as possible, against all  
contingencies that will arise in this  
section as a consequence of our patri-  
cism in the war. This body of men,  
just as have all other thoughtful,  
serious minded citizens, realize  
that the citizens of the county as a  
whole are indifferent and apathetic  
and have failed to come to a compre-  
hension of the fact that we are at  
war, while others have failed to even  
recognize the need to arouse themselves  
to their obligations and duties.

"The man," says the Uniontown  
Herald in commenting upon this as-  
pect of the situation, "who is contin-  
ually lying off from his job to loaf  
around the streets or the able bodied  
fellow who thinks that because he  
earns enough money in four days he  
is entitled to lay off two days is not do-  
ing his duty to his country in the  
hour of need."

"Just because a man is not within  
the draft age or is exempt because of  
dependents, occupation or for other  
reasons does not relieve him from  
contributing every possible ounce of  
energy towards maintaining our in-  
dustrial and agricultural stability. In-  
stead the man who is not in the ranks  
should work all the harder for the  
reason that he is not being asked to  
go into the thick of this business of  
war. It is no place for the duds or  
the mollycoddle. Let this species be  
trampled under foot as the battle-  
line marches to the battlefield and  
factory and mine and farm and shop  
and mill. America has no time for  
the lazy or the vampire class now-  
adays."

"Take stock of your activities today  
and ask yourself what you have done  
to help Uncle Sam in this crisis and  
while you are doing it try to remember  
that the ignoble characterization of  
slacker doesn't stop with the gang  
that is giving its attention to the  
evolution of military duty."

Men are impelled to be slackers  
from military service largely through  
fear of bodily harm that may come to  
them. Those who will evade duty in  
the shops or the fields fear work  
worse than the former fear bullets,  
hence are the more craven of the two.

## THE CANNING CAMPAIGN.

That upwards of 700 housewives of  
Connellsville and the surrounding  
country attended the canning demon-  
stration shows that the ladies of this  
section are awake to the necessity of  
preserving the surplus summer food  
crops and anxious to learn the latest  
methods.

As the result of the increased food  
planting campaign, conducted during  
the spring and early summer, more  
vegetables are being raised this sum-  
mer than previously. If the season  
continues favorable there will be  
abundant crops and greatly in excess  
of the present needs of consumers.  
The effort and energy put into rais-  
ing these crops would almost be wast-  
ed if the surplus products of the  
gardens are not preserved for win-  
ter use.

To discover the best, simplest and  
most inexpensive methods the agri-  
cultural and domestic science insti-  
tutions of the country have conducted  
elaborate experiments and investiga-  
tions. A comparison of the results  
has proven that the cold pack  
method best fulfills all the require-  
ments and can be employed in any  
home with ordinary household uten-  
sils.

To demonstrate this method and ex-  
plain in detail its application to the  
preservation of the different fruits  
and vegetables, so that even inexpe-  
rienced persons may practice it, is the  
purpose of the campaign now being  
conducted under the supervision of  
the county Farm Bureau. It has  
aroused great interest in every com-  
munity and is certain to give a de-  
cided impetus to the preservation of  
fruits and vegetables which is a  
household industry not heretofore  
generally engaged in except in the  
farming districts. Every woman who  
attends these demonstrations can in-  
turn become an instructor to her  
neighbors who are as familiar with  
the process and the results are cer-  
tain to become widespread and perma-  
nently beneficial in their effects.

## DRAFTING/THE NORTH; EXEMPT-ING THE SOUTH.

Senator Lodge is not a man given  
to exaggeration or unsupported state-  
ment. When he declares that the  
census returns of the northern states  
have been "padded" in order to re-  
quire a heavier draft quota from  
these states than from those south  
of the Mason and Dixon line, notice  
must be taken of the charge. When  
the allegation is supported by other  
senators, among them a Democrat  
who has been a firm supporter of the  
administration, it cannot be asserted  
that the purpose sought is other  
than to see that no injustice is done  
any section of the country in so im-  
portant a matter as drafting citizens  
into the military service.

Senator Lodge's maintainers, and is  
supported in his contention by other  
senators, that the effect of the system  
adopted by the draft authorities would  
be to give exemption to large num-  
bers of aliens in various communities  
while forcing native-born or natural-  
ized Americans into the army in  
greater proportion than in other com-  
munities, principally in the south  
where there are comparatively few  
aliens.

"This matter of the resident alien,"  
says Senator Lodge, "which creates  
such an injustice in the distribution  
of the draft, is a matter of the great-  
est importance. Aliens ought not to  
be counted for the draft unless they  
are going to be drafted. If they would  
serve in the armies of their own coun-  
tries they ought to be exposed to the  
draft here. It is a matter for the  
speedy attention of the executive  
branch of our government and for  
immediate legislation. This should  
come without any delay at all."

"It is perfectly apparent from the  
astonishing figures that have been  
given that northern cities and north-  
ern states are having their census  
estimates padded in order to make  
their proportion of the draft heavier,  
whereas as recent public statistics  
show, those of the southern states  
are being reduced by the same bene-  
ficial authority."

"We are accustomed to hearing the  
taxation burden and seeing the re-  
ceipts from taxation agents somewhere  
else, but I think it is a little hard  
to have our census figures padded so  
that we shall give more than our pro-  
portion of soldiers when the other sec-  
tion gives less."

That a procedure of this kind has  
been proposed or contemplated in  
Washington is not surprising. When  
it is recalled that Congressman  
Kitchin, the Democratic house leader,  
and other Democrats of the southern  
continent, have openly declared,  
ever since it became evident that the  
United States would be forced into  
the war, that the north was responsi-  
ble and would have to pay the bill,  
it is but a step for the southern patri-  
ots to devise ways whereby the  
north will also be obliged to do the  
finishing.

## EXEMPTION OF ALIENS.

The large proportion of foreign  
names among those eligible for con-  
scription has been the subject of  
much comment. The impression that  
a similar proportion will exist among  
those finally chosen for military ser-  
vice is quite erroneous and arises from  
the lack of understanding some people  
have of the situation.

The conscription law required the  
registration of all men between the  
prescribed ages. This included nat-  
ive-born, naturalized and alien residents.  
It thus happens that in the industrial  
centers many foreign names appear  
among the registrants. In the draw-  
ing of numbers on Friday there was no  
discrimination of any kind. That  
many foreign names appear among  
those identified with the numbers  
drawn merely indicates the proportion  
of that element to the native-born,  
and that proportion is large because  
the names of aliens are included with  
the native-born.

It is this fact that has given rise in  
Congress to the bitter debate over  
the unfairness of the method of con-  
scripting draft quotas on the basis of  
population, which included aliens along  
with natives and naturalized citi-  
zens, instead of taking the number of  
males subject to military service as  
the quota basis. Because of the meth-  
od employed the populous sections  
and cities, especially of the north, will  
be called upon to furnish proportion-  
ately more men for military service  
than will the sections having no alien  
residents, or none as is the case in  
large areas of the southern states.

The conscription law expressly ex-  
empts aliens from military service  
hence their elimination will simply  
mean that native-born and natural-  
ized citizens in such districts will have  
to take the place of all aliens drawn  
and exempted. This throws a heavier  
burden on the districts having alien  
populations because the quota is de-  
termined by the whole number of re-  
sidents without making provision for  
the aliens included in the estimates.

If aliens were subject to draft the  
same as native-born and naturalized  
residents no objection could have  
been offered, and no unfairness would  
have resulted from having based the  
quota on population instead of the  
number of military eligibles, and every  
section of the country would have  
supplied its proper proportion under  
the draft. It is too late now to remedy  
this condition and the north will be  
obliged to furnish a proportionately  
larger part of the army just as it will  
be obliged to furnish the larger part  
of the money, through sectionalized  
taxation measures, than the favored  
states of the south.

A resolution was introduced in Con-  
gress to make aliens subject to selec-  
tion for military service the same as  
native-born and naturalized residents,  
but it came at such a late date that  
no progress was made with the move-  
ment because of the fear that it would  
seriously delay the operation of the draft.  
It is generally agreed that the aliens  
from all countries, except those of  
Germany and her allies, should not  
be permitted to enjoy immunity from  
service, particularly those who left  
their native lands to escape being  
conscripted there, hence the propo-  
sition to make a change in the conscrip-  
tion law so as to include them gains  
in favor.

It is reasonably certain that such

a change will be made before another  
draft is ordered unless the southern  
Democrats in Congress are able to  
carry through their program of em-  
pelling the north to pay for the war  
and furnish the men to fight its bat-  
tles as well.

## WAR SERVICE FOR MECHANICS.

The war will provide opportunities  
for service by practically every class  
of citizens, but perhaps none greater  
than to those in the industries. Train-  
ing skilled mechanics and high-grade  
helpers is the next step in National  
Preparedness and it is through this  
means that those who have taken  
courses in trade and manual training  
schools, and institutions with shop  
work departments, will be called upon  
to supply the demand that will come  
for semi-technical workers in the  
metal trades and other industries.  
In a statement just issued by the  
Bureau of Education it is declared to  
be impossible to forecast definitely  
the numbers of mechanics and opera-  
tives of various kinds that will be re-  
quired. Officers of the army, navy,  
and civil service commission are  
agreed, however, that during the next  
few months there will be an unusual  
demand for capable foremen, mechan-  
ics, and high grade helpers in a num-  
ber of important occupations. The  
following are some of the workers  
who will be most urgently needed:  
Automobile mechanics; bakers; black-  
smiths; boat builders; chauffeurs;  
cooks; draftsmen; electricians; steam  
and gas engineers; machinists; look-  
ers; mechanics; painters; pipefitters;  
welders; saddlery and harness makers;  
wrights; tailors; textile workers;  
wheelwrights; stenographers; type-  
writers.

It is pointed out that the demands  
for these workers will come from the  
regular enlisted corps of the army and  
navy, from the enlisted reserve corps  
of the army and navy, from the eligi-  
ble registers of the civil service com-  
mission, and from private employers  
whose workers are called into govern-  
ment service. After the war there  
will also be a continued demand for  
similar workers in the reorganization  
and rehabilitation of industry.

To prepare young persons for the  
work it is urged by the Bureau of  
Education that the special schools  
providing training of the character  
offer special intensive courses through-  
out the summer months to train mechan-  
ics and machine operatives of various  
type and that students now enrolled  
continue their training in order to be  
better equipped when the demand  
comes for service of the kind indicated.

President Wilson objects strenuously  
almost to the point of threatening to  
 veto the food control bill if that pro-  
vision, inserted by a Democratic Senator  
creating a war control board, is not  
eliminated. He declares that the  
supervision of executive action would  
amount to nothing less than an assump-  
tion on part of the legislative body of  
the executive control of the administra-  
tion. "Has not abundant precedent for  
assumption been given by the President  
in having taken upon himself practical-  
ly all the prerogatives of Congress?"

Untenanted is beating Conneltsville  
to the crossing gate. Has Conneltsville  
lost its salt?

The women are maintaining their  
usual distance ahead of the men in the  
organizing war activities. They were  
first in the Red Cross, first in the Navy  
League and now first in work in the  
county as a part of the Council of Na-  
tional Defense. Merely keeping their  
rightful place, of course.

If Section 23 of the food bill goes  
through as proposed by a Senator or  
even party who is a Democrat, it will  
show how it feels to have one depart-  
ment of the government usurp the func-  
tions of another.

The next numbering operation is for  
the examining surgeons to number your  
physical qualifications to be a soldier.

The draft will catch both the high  
and the low, there being no escape for  
either the "human wireless towers" or  
the "bambinos."

That gelatin capsules are still used  
as containers for bitter medicine  
657,000 Americans are ready today to  
bear testimony.

"Hands Across the Sea" has a new  
meaning for Conneltsville now that the  
Fifth Engineers with its Conneltsville  
boys has landed safely in France.

The Vulture of Fayette County  
Political Journalism betrays signs of  
injuness at the slow approach of the  
time when it must be put to rest. It  
will "go" according to its tastes, habits,  
inclinations and training.



## Looking Backward.

News of the Past Condensed from the Files of The Courier.

## FRIDAY, JULY 25, 1917.

The primary election for justice of the peace in Fayette county was held at the courthouse, Conneltsville, Pa., today. The judges were Charles E. Boy and the Honorable Nathaniel E. Ing. Boye beats Colonel Seagrist 121 votes, and the latter prepares to challenge the result.

(Continued next week)

# DEATH REGISTRANTS AND NUMBERS IN NO. 5 DISTRICT

|                                                   |                                            |
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| 1-William McKinley, Acme, R. F. D. No. 1.         | 140-Albert Seal, Somerset.                 |
| 2-George Arnold, Acme, R. F. D. No. 1.            | 141-Lewis Eugene Dierhart, Jeanette.       |
| 3-James John Chumney, Acme, R. F. D. No. 1.       | 142-Francis Clark, Cloverton.              |
| 4-Henry Jacob Huffer, Acme, R. F. D. No. 1.       | 143-Russell Elmer Sinclair, Somerset.      |
| 5-Ira Bahr, White, P. O.                          | 144-Charles Andrew Vansickle, Somerset.    |
| 6-William B. Barnes, White.                       | 145-Jessie Davis, Somerset.                |
| 7-Otto J. Gearhart, Acme, Box 23.                 | 146-Joshua Franklin Dennis, Cloverton.     |
| 8-James Gearhart, Acme, R. F. D. No. 1.           | 147-Frank P. Francis, Somerset.            |
| 9-Leroy K. Stauffer, Acme.                        | 148-John Kinzel Thomas, Markleysburg.      |
| 10-Frank Richter, Normalville, R. F. D. No. 1.    | 149-Clayton Hinebaugh, Markleysburg.       |
| 11-Frank Nicholson, Normalville, R. F. D. No. 1.  | 150-James Hamilton Walsh, Markleysburg.    |
| 12-Albert Nicholson, Normalville, R. F. D. No. 1. | 151-Glen Gale Fisher, Markleysburg.        |
| 13-Irvin Kiefer, Normalville, R. F. D. No. 1.     | 152-William Ray Thomas, Markleysburg.      |
| 14-Gilbert Leroy Murray, Indian Head.             | 153-Russell A. Thomas, Markleysburg.       |
| 15-Roy Myers, Indian Head.                        | 154-Kimmel Clinton Myers, Markleysburg.    |
| 16-Clayton Myers, White.                          | 155-Jessie Grover Collins, Markleysburg.   |
| 17-Charles Mathews, Indian Head.                  | 156-James Ray Ault, Markleysburg.          |
| 18-Charles Snyder, Indian Head.                   | 157-Asa Raborn Myers, Markleysburg.        |
| 19-Charles T. Christner, Indian Head.             | 158-Cyrus Henry Clores, Markleysburg.      |
| 20-Clyde Alva Karp, Indian Head.                  | 159-Gilbert Bird, Markleysburg.            |
| 21-Ryan Rittner, Indian Head.                     | 160-Clyde Everett Welch, Markleysburg.     |
| 22-Parker Allen Rickett, Indian Head.             | 161-Albert Franklin Collins, Markleysburg. |
| 23-Lloyd Karp, Indian Head.                       | 162-Charles Roy Markley, Markleysburg.     |
| 24-Emmett T. Pack, White.                         | 163-Harry Myers, Markleysburg.             |
| 25-Bernard Myers, White.                          | 164-Charles Hinton Miller, Markleysburg.   |
| 26-Addison Gray, Normalville, R. F. D. No. 1.     | 165-Fredrick Denzell Miller, Markleysburg. |
| 27-Henry B. Broucker, Indian Head.                | 166-Theodore Chace, Confluence.            |
| 28-John W. B. Broucker, Indian Head.              | 167-John L. Shipley, Confluence.           |
| 29-Jesse M. Stelman, Indian Head.                 | 168-John L. Shipley, Confluence.           |
| 30-Forest J. Kessler, Acme, R. F. D. No. 1.       | 169-Eugene Wilson, Confluence.             |
| 31-John A. Miller, Acme, R. F. D. No. 1.          | 170-Samuel J. Myers, Confluence.           |
| 32-William McClean Coffman, Acme.                 | 171-Harry M. Myers, Confluence.            |
| 33-Charles M. Fletcher, White.                    | 172-John T. Myers, Confluence.             |
| 34-King M. Solomon, Indian Head.                  | 173-Walter Scott Rockner, Somerset.        |
| 35-Emory Claude Plack, White.                     | 174-Frank E. Boyd, Somerset.               |
| 36-Bernard W. B. Broucker, Indian Head.           | 175-Fredrick Martin, Somerset.             |
| 37-George C. Shaffer, Indian Head.                | 176-Fredrick Martin, Somerset.             |
| 38-Irvin White, White.                            | 177-Shirley Calar, Confluence.             |
| 39-John White, White.                             | 178-Charles L. Boyd, Somerset.             |
| 40-Joseph Macosaw, White.                         | 179-Frank E. Boyd, Somerset.               |
| 41-Frances S. Myers, White.                       | 180-Arthur N. Treasurer, Confluence.       |
| 42-Michael Snyder, White.                         | 181-James R. Oles, Somerset.               |
| 43-John Snyder, White.                            | 182-Russell C. Burdworth, Confluence.      |
| 44-Ernest Fletcher, White.                        | 183-McClellan Shaw, Somerset.              |
| 45-Darwin Brown, Acme, R. F. D. No. 1.            | 184-Thomas A. Burrus, Somerset.            |
| 46-Elmer Coffman, Acme, R. F. D. No. 1.           | 185-William R. Huff, Confluence.           |
| 47-William Markler, Indian Head.                  | 186-Oliver G. Butler, Confluence.          |
| 48-Thomas Wade Miller, Indian Head.               | 187-Theodore Clinton Marietta, Confluence. |
| 49-Alva Kunkle, Indian Head.                      | 188-Albert Chambers, Confluence.           |
| 50-Alexander Mitchell, Champlain.                 | 189-Harvey Guyton Corriant, Confluence.    |
| 51-Alva Kunkle, Indian Head.                      | 190-John A. O'Donnell, Confluence.         |
| 52-George Adam Fritz, Champlain.                  | 191-John A. O'Donnell, Confluence.         |
| 53-Homer Miller, Champlain.                       | 192-John A. O'Donnell, Confluence.         |
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| 100-John A. O'Donnell, Champlain.                 | 239-John A. O'Donnell, Confluence.         |

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| 312-Jack Morrison, Dunbar.            | 450-John Tormay Frazier, Connelville, R. F. D. No. 1.    |
| 313-Joseph Porter Cole, Dunbar.       | 451-Leroy Swift, Leisenring No. 1.                       |
| 314-Frank Spangenberg, Dunbar.        | 452-Russell Allen Torgander, Leisenring No. 1.           |
| 315-Walter J. Spangenberg, Dunbar.    | 453-Thomas Joseph Morio, Connelville.                    |
| 316-Gran Van Hise, Dunbar.            | 454-Joseph John Misher, Jr., Leisenring No. 1.           |
| 317-Wm. Hughes Jones, Dunbar.         | 455-Charles Robinson, Connelville.                       |
| 318-John Williams, Dunbar.            | 456-John Simplo, Leisenring No. 1.                       |
| 319-Nicola Faganio, Dunbar.           | 457-Emil S. L. Hygon, Leisenring No. 1.                  |
| 320-Charles Jones, Dunbar.            | 458-Randall White Leisnig, Greenwood, Connelville.       |
| 321-Irvin E. Fair, Dunbar.            | 459-Charles Clark, Wheeler.                              |
| 322-John I. McDowell, Dunbar.         | 460-Emory Smoron, Connelville, R. F. D. No. 1.           |
| 323-John William Craven, Jr., Dunbar. | 461-Joshua Balke, Connelville, R. F. D. No. 1.           |
| 324-Daniel R. Baker, Dunbar.          | 462-William Lewis Randolph, Connelville, R. F. D. No. 1. |
| 325-Charles S. Cooper, Dunbar.        | 463-Howard Allen, Leisenring No. 1.                      |
| 326-George Ray Campbell, Dunbar.      | 464-Steven Martin, Leisenring No. 1.                     |
| 327-John A. Carroll, Dunbar.          | 465-Paula Paster, Leisenring No. 1.                      |
| 328-John McManus, Dunbar.             | 466-Jacob Crick, Leisenring No. 1.                       |
| 329-John A. Carroll, Dunbar.          | 467-William Henry Finley, Leisenring No. 1.              |
| 330-Harry Wilson, Dunbar.             | 468-Sirley Scott, Leisenring No. 1.                      |
| 331-James D. Cooper, Dunbar.          | 469-Joseph Nicholich, Leisenring No. 1.                  |
| 332-Robert Raymond Morrison, Dunbar.  | 470-Casper Farnwall, Connelville, R. F. D. No. 1.        |
| 333-Albert Wilson, Dunbar.            | 471-Peter Francis Hony, Leisenring No. 1.                |
| 334-James Robert Harper, Dunbar.      | 472-Frank Angus Hagler, Dunbar, R. F. D. No. 1.          |
| 335-Jesse J. McManis, Dunbar.         | 473-Andry Belchick, Leisenring No. 1.                    |
| 336-Bryson C. Dunaway, Dunbar.        | 474-Harry Ed Morris, Connelville.                        |
| 337-John A. Carroll, Dunbar.          | 475-John Bodnar, Connelville.                            |
| 338-John A. Carroll, Dunbar.          | 476-Luther Rice Ball, Leisenring No. 1.                  |
| 339-John A. Carroll, Dunbar.          | 477-James L. McCarthy, Leisenring No. 1.                 |
| 340-John A. Carroll, Dunbar.          | 478-Freeman Sayers, Leisenring No. 1.                    |
| 341-John A. Carroll, Dunbar.          | 479-William P. McNulty, Connelville, R. F. D. No. 1.     |
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# OFFICERS, MEMBERS, TERRITORY OF TWO DRAFT DISTRICTS

District No. 2.—Attorney Fred D. Munson's office, Title & Trust building, Connelville.—Composed of Connelville city, Connelville township, Lower Tyrone township, Dawson borough, Everson borough and Bullskin township. Members of board:—Dr. D. D. Brooks, Connelville; Fred D. Munson, Connelville; and H. N. McDonald, Dawson.

District No. 5.—Attorney Ross S. Matthews' office, Title & Trust building, Connelville.—Composed of Dunbar borough, Dunbar township, Vanderhill borough, Springfield township, Saltlick township, Stewart township, Wharton township, Henry Clay township, Markleburg borough. Members of board:—Dr. J. H. Hazlett, Vanderhill; C. B. Franks, Leisenring; Cyrus B. Sipe, Normalville.

## Dickerson Run.

DICKERSON RUN, July 20.—Mrs. J. C. Levergood of Dawson, was calling on Vanderhill friends last evening.

Mrs. James Beatty was calling on Vanderhill friends last evening.

A. L. Carlson of McKeesport, Supervisor of the Young Division of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad was transacting business here Thursday.

I. R. Byers was a Dawson business caller Thursday afternoon.

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## FRICK WORKERS IN U. S. SERVICE WILL RECEIVE PART PAY

Official Circular Explains How Soldiers Will Be Compensated.

## HIGH RATE FOR VETERANS

Those in National Guard or Naval Militia Prior to April 1 Will Receive Increased Rate of Salary or Wages When Sent They Get From the U. S.

Employees of the H. C. Frick Coke Company who were members of the National Guard when the war came or who have since enlisted will be paid part of their salaries or wage rates during their service and every effort will be made to retain their positions for them until such time as they return to civil life.

An official circular just issued, announces that employees who were members of the National Guard or Naval Militia on April 1 who are called to service shall receive, unless otherwise determined by the company, their present rate of salary or wages during the pay they receive from the government.

Employees who apply for leave of absence to join Reserve Officers' Training Corps will receive full pay for one half month and one half of the amount of present salary or wage rate above the pay from the government for all of the balance of the training period not exceeding three months. At the expiration of three months' training period in case employees do not resume service with their company, the question of whether any further compensation allowance will be made will be determined by the company. This applies only to employees who have been in the company's service for at least 12 months preceding April 1, 1917.

Employees who voluntarily enlisted on or after April 1, 1917, in the National Guard or Naval Militia or the Military or Naval service of the United States, except those joining Reserve Officers' Training Corps, will be allowed, provided they have been in the company's service continuously for 15 months preceding date of enlistment, compensation after enlistment of one-half of the amount of present salary or wage rate above the money compensation received from the government for the time they are in the latter's service. The circular says that it will be the aim though not the obligation of the company to reinstate every employee who serves in the war. If his former position is filled another may be secured.

The following example of the method of payment is appended: "An employee receives a salary of \$100. He enters service and receives from government \$50. You then pay him \$50."

No decision has been reached as to conscripted men, the circular says.

## ELIMINATION CONTESTS

Teams to Participate in Frick First Aid Meet Selected.

Elimination first aid contests to select 12 teams at the final contest of the H. C. Frick Coke company were held last Wednesday afternoon at the company's first aid school. The teams were divided into six divisions and the two teams from each division making the best average were chosen to represent that division at the final meet which will be held some day next week. The exact date not yet having been named. This final meet will be held at Scottsdale, and the prize list totals \$175. Ten of the 12 teams which will participate are Edinboro, Gates, Conestoga No. 2, Phillips, Redstone, York, Standard, Southwest, Junius and Trotter.

Wednesday afternoon's contests were at Scottsdale, Phillips and Redstone. The results, with teams participating, were: At Phillips—Continental No. 1, 2 and 3, Lehigh, Youngstown, Lehigh No. 3, Junius, Phillips and Colonial No. 1, 2 and 4. Contest to change of Inspector Stephen Arkwright. Winners, Continental No. 1, 2 percent; Phillips, 96 per cent. Judges, Drs. C. W. Conn, R. H. Jeffrey, J. B. Carroll, E. A. McCann, Conestoga, and D. H. Sengston, McElhattan.

At Redstone—Redstone, Lehigh, Oliphant, Wynn, Kyle, York, Junius and Collier. Winners, Redstone, 97 per cent, and York, 96 per cent. Contest in charge of Inspector J. E. Struble. Judges, Drs. J. J. McChesney, W. H. Meacham and E. H. Heath. At Scottsdale—Dearth, Footedale, Redstone, Edinboro, Gates, Lehigh, York, Bridgeport, Palmer, Ronco and Lehigh. Contest in charge of C. W. Albright. Winners, Gates, 99 per cent; Edinboro, 98 per cent.

## HILL IN UNIONTOWN

Coastal With Associates on Question of Thompson Assets.

Wm. W. Hill, president of the Great Northern railroad, accompanied by a number of associates, arrived in Uniontown, Monday, going to Oak Hill, the home of Joseph V. Thompson, where they will remain during their stay in Uniontown.

Immediately upon their arrival, Mr. Hill, James F. Sperry and Samuel S. Thorpe went into conference with Norton M. Cross, Mr. Hill's attorney, and C. O. Kallman and E. J. Bishop, auditors, who have been examining the Thompson assets. It is expected that the party will remain in Uniontown several days, during which time an exhaustive examination of the assets will be made and a personal inspection made of the coal areas in Greene and Washington counties and in West Virginia.

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## BIGGEST MINE EARNINGS OF ALL

Reported From Gary, W. Va., as the Result of Prizes Offered for Largest Loadings and Coke Drawings.

To stimulate coal loadings and to encourage their men generally, the United States Coal & Coke company, at Gary, has just concluded a novel experiment in offering prizes particularly intended to accelerate coal loading and coke pulling, and incidentally has established the record in individual miner's earnings.

Prizes were offered as follows: For man loading most coal, first prize \$50; second prize \$35; third prize \$15. For man pulling most coke, first prize \$50; second prize \$35; third prize \$15.

Steve Colman, loader at No. 11 works, was awarded first prize for coal loading. He earned \$261.06 in 13 days, his average earnings per day were \$20.08. The winner of the second prize was Paul Miller, also of No. 11 works, whose daily average earnings were \$18.84. The winner of the third prize, Frank Marzhangio, averaged \$18.12 daily. The list shows the earnings of the three highest men at each plant. The average for the 38 men being \$138.79 for 12 days, an average of \$11.56 per man per day. All mines are lighted throughout with electric lights, making it unnecessary for the miner to depend upon the old style candle light.

John Hostin, coke puller, No. 2 works, was awarded first prize, averaging \$50.02 per day for the 13 days. Will Kellam at the No. 8 works, who won the second prize, averaged \$35.30 per day. Frank Kellam at No. 4 works, winner of the third prize, averaged \$17.77 per day.

The twenty-one men shown in the list earned an average of \$74.97 for the 13 days, or \$5.77 per day per man.

## FIGHT FOR BETTER ADJUSTMENT COAL FREIGHT RATES WON

Continued from Page One.

In Ohio, east of the Sandusky-Galion line other than points taking Youngstown rates, are, and for the future will be, unduly prejudicial to the Connelville district and unduly preferential to the Pittsburgh district to the extent that the rates from the Connelville district exceed the rates from the Pittsburgh district by more than six cents per short ton.

"You will note that the report of the examiners in all respects except that the differential to Youngstown and points taking the Youngstown rate has been increased from six to eight cents."

The decision marks the conclusion of a very remarkable case—one involving the whole rate structure for the entire bituminous coal producing areas of the Appalachian field. It has its origin in the filing of schedules providing for a general increase in the per ton rates on coal from the coal fields of Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Kentucky to consuming points in the central freight association territory. The coal associations of the several districts fought the case and the Connelville Coal Tariff Association was permitted to intervene to bring up for adjudication the propriety of the differentials now existing between the Connelville region and the Pittsburgh, Westmoreland and Greenburg districts. Exhaustive hearings were held before examiners of the Interstate Commerce Commission, conducted by C. Andrade, Jr., of New York, attorney for the Connelville Coal Tariff Association. Final argument was made before the commission beginning June 14.

While this proceeding was pending the Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio railroads, of their own initiative, published new tariffs which eliminated the differentials against the Connelville region on shipments of coal eastward. With the removal of the differential to points west of Cleveland, and material reduction in rates to points east of Cleveland by the recent decision, the unjust discriminations against the Connelville region have been almost wholly removed. The credit of this achievement, which means the maintenance of the Connelville region's supremacy as a fuel producing center, must go to the Connelville Coal Tariff Association which has expended a vast amount of time, energy and means to this end.

## PROMOTED AGAIN

John C. McCormick To Become Traveling Coal Agent.

John C. McCormick, who was promoted some months ago from chief clerk to Wade H. Aldins, coal and coke billing agent at the Connelville office of the Pennsylvania & Ohio railroad, to chief clerk to W. H. Mason, commercial freight agent at Uniontown, has been advanced to a position of still larger importance and responsibility.

Beginning today he will assume the duties of traveling coal agent for the Connelville division, succeeding Adam Erdman who has been transferred to a similar position at Baltimore. Mr. Erdman has been in the company's service for 15 years, part of which was as coal billing agent at Cumberland followed by his promotion to traveling coal agent and transfer to Uniontown.

Mr. McCormick has served but one year less than his predecessor in his present position. Fourteen years ago he began as clerk in the scales office at Connelville. The successive promotions that have come to him have been deserving recognition of his faithfulness and efficiency in the several positions he has held.

P. R. R. Sells Coal.

In following out the policy of the board of directors, as announced several years ago, to sell its anthracite coal property, President Samuel Rags of the Pennsylvania Railroad company has confirmed the sale of all of its anthracite mining property, collieries, etc., to M. A. Hanna & Company of Cleveland.

## Coal Freight Rates

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1917.

| TO EASTERN PORTS.                 |            | ORIGINATING DISTRICT. |          |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|----------|
| Rate per Gross Ton of 2,240 lbs.  | Pittsburgh | Connelville           | Wm. Rags |
| Baltimore, Md.                    | \$2.15     | \$2.00                | \$1.85   |
| Chester, Pa.                      | 2.15       | 2.00                  | 1.85     |
| Harrisburg, Pa.                   | 1.85       | 1.70                  | 1.55     |
| Johnstown, Pa.                    | .85        | .70                   | .60      |
| Lebanon, Pa. P. R. R. and P. & R. | 2.05       | 1.90                  | 1.75     |
| New York, N. Y. (34th)            | 2.40       | 2.25                  | 2.10     |
| New York, N. Y. (34th)            | 1.50       | 1.35                  | 1.20     |
| Philadelphia                      | 2.15       | 2.00                  | 1.85     |
| Sparrows Point                    | 2.15       | 2.00                  | 1.85     |
| Steelton, Pa.                     | 1.37       | 1.22                  | 1.07     |
| South Bethlehem, Pa.              | 2.25       | 2.10                  | 1.95     |
| Syracuse, N. Y.                   | 2.25       | 2.10                  | 1.95     |
| To ATLANTIC PORTS via B. & O.     | 1.90       | 1.75                  | 1.60     |
| Greenwich, Conn.                  | 1.70       | 1.55                  | 1.40     |
| South Amboy, N. J.                | 2.05       | 1.90                  | 1.75     |
| Haratim Cove                      | 2.10       | 1.95                  | 1.80     |
| Greenville, S. C.                 | 1.70       | 1.55                  | 1.40     |
| Canton, Balto. local              | 1.90       | 1.75                  | 1.60     |
| Canton, Balto. export             | 1.85       | 1.70                  | 1.55     |
| To ATLANTIC PORTS via P. R. R.    | 2.40       | 2.25                  | 2.10     |
| St. George for Export             | 1.90       | 1.75                  | 1.60     |
| Philadelphia for Export           | 1.70       | 1.55                  | 1.40     |
| Curtis Bay for Export             | 1.20       | 1.05                  | .90      |
| Curtis Bay for Export             | 1.53       | 1.38                  | 1.23     |

The rate from the Fairmont District to Johnstown is 75c; Monongahela Railway to state line, 85c; below state line to Fairmont, 95c.

The Connelville Rate applies to shipments from points on the Southwest Branch of the Pennsylvania railroad south of Rutledge; from points on the Pittsburgh, Virginia & Charleston and points on the Monongahela River railroad.

The Fairmont Rate on shipments via the Baltimore & Ohio applies to shipments from points east of Slatersville, Pa.; from points on the Smithfield & Massentown Branch and from the Fairmont Region of West Virginia.

| TO WESTERN PORTS.              |            | ORIGINATING DISTRICT. |                |
|--------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Rate per Net Ton of 2,000 lbs. | Pittsburgh | Upper Cuyahoga        | Lower Cuyahoga |
| Canton, O.                     | \$1.10     | \$1.20                | \$1.25         |
| Chicago, Ill.                  | 2.05       | 2.05                  | 2.20           |
| Cleveland, O.                  | 1.15       | 1.25                  | 1.30           |
| Columbus, O.                   | 1.15       | 1.15                  | 1.20           |
| Detroit, Mich.                 | 1.40       | 1.40                  | 1.45           |
| Indiana Harbor, Ind.           | 2.05       | 2.05                  | 2.20           |
| Toledo, O.                     | 1.25       | 1.25                  | 1.40           |
| Youngstown, O.                 | .85        | 1.05                  | 1.00           |
| Lake Erie                      | .85        | 1.05                  | 1.05           |

The Pittsburgh District includes points east as far as Latrobe and south on the Southwest Branch to and including Rutledge; south to and including Brownsville and Brannell on the Pittsburgh, Virginia & Charleston railroad; eastward to Dawson on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, and eastward to Dickerson Run and southwest to and including Brownsville on the New York Central line.

The Connelville District includes points on the Southwest Branch of the Pennsylvania railroad south of Rutledge; on the Pittsburgh, Virginia & Charleston except Brannell and all Monongahela River railroad points; New York Central points east of Dickerson Run, including Connelville Transfer, and points on the Baltimore & Ohio, Dawson to Point Marion, Pa.

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Abnormal Prices Cause Discontinuation of Construction at Fayette.

## COMPLETED IN FUTURE

Not to Mean Abandonment of Plans, But Merely Postponement; Foundation for Roundhouse Already In; Track Work Will Go On For Time.

On account of the abnormal prices demanded by labor and the expense of structural work at this time, the Western Maryland railroad company is discontinuing the work at the Fayette yards until some time in the future. Although the foundation for the roundhouse is already in, no more work will be done, although all the laborers will not be taken off the job.

No information as to how long the work on the new yards and roundhouse will be discontinued has been given out, but it is likely that nothing more will be done until conditions become more settled. The yards with the roundhouse would have been one of the most modern in the country, and those in charge of the work say there is no question but what the work will be completed at some future time.

There are still between 60 and 70 laborers working on the yards, and four miles of track have been put down. This track is divided into five sidings. The track work will go on for a time yet, but the roundhouse construction will be curtailed immediately.

The tracks that are already in have been in use since September, the coal trains running into Fairmont pulling in at Fayette. Each of the sidings is about a mile long.

Since the railroad company has stopped work, and does not intend to complete the yards until some time in the future, it will not be necessary for

the West Penn Railways company to make any immediate plans for building the trestle over the yards. Nothing has yet been done by the railway company along those lines, as the movement of trains has not yet interfered with their schedule. Had the yards been completed, the cars would have to go overhead.

Much expense is connected with building the yards and roundhouse and since the increase in the cost of labor the railroad has found it necessary to increase the payroll. The office of the railroad engineers in the Second National Bank building will not be closed.

## CONDITIONS IMPROVED

Traffic Situation in Pittsburgh District Is Approaching Normal.

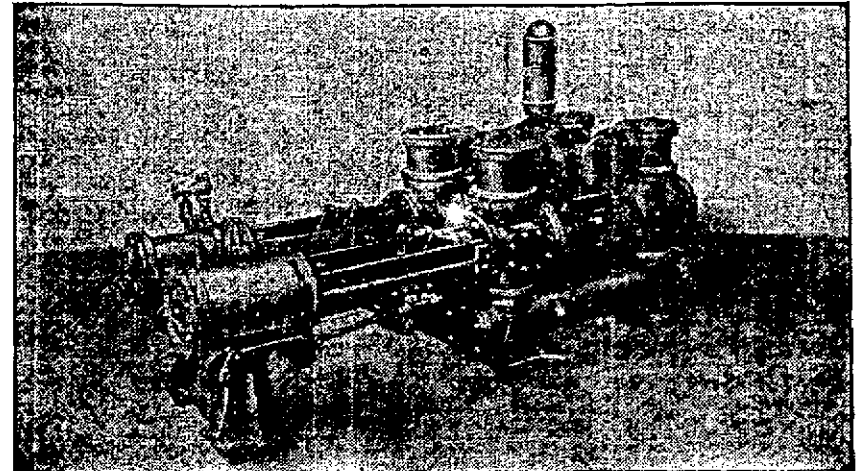
Traffic conditions in the Pittsburgh district have improved appreciably recently, and while they are far from normal, yet the situation is so much better than it was a month, or even a week ago, the railroads are quite optimistic for the first time in two years, says the Pittsburgh Dispatch. Some congestion persists at certain points, which, however, is yielding to the heroic treatment applied by the carriers, who now express themselves as confident of their ability to eradicate it entirely soon, should there be no recurrence of the original causes of the trouble.

Nowhere is this the case as at New Castle Junction and Youngstown, where the yards of the Baltimore & Ohio and Erie, respectively, were plague spots for the railroads during a long period of time, but both are now fairly over the worst. The Con-way yards of the Pennsylvania Company continue to cause more or less trouble, but the clearance of the situation elsewhere is being reflected in the improved conditions perceptible in them, while the big Pictorial yards of the Pennsylvania railroad, the Willow Grove and Thirty-sixth street yards of the Baltimore & Ohio, the Scully and Carnegie yards of the Panhandle and the McKees Rocks and other yards of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie are virtually clear of obstructions, to all appearances at least. As a consequence deliveries of inbound freight are being effected by all the railroads with reasonable promptness.

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## SLUMP IN TRAFFIC

Embargo on Exports Cuts Down Shipments From Pittsburgh District.

A notable slump in freight traffic has ensued upon the President's recent embargo proclamation. Pittsburgh, however, has not been affected so adversely by it as have many others of the major shipping communities of the country, due to the circumstances that so much in the way of materials and other supplies for the Allied governments, including the United States, is being manufactured here and, of course, permitted to go forward.

The trend of what traffic there is, though, is eastward, shipments hence to the west having grown small by degrees and beautifully less until the irreducible minimum would appear to have been reached in respect of domestic business, although considerable tonnage for export to Japan, Russia and China continues to go forward to Pacific coast ports.

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